

help and believe that his sermons made lasting impressions on many hearts.

The meeting closed Sunday evening, March 19, with a communion service. The weather was very bad, yet a few of the Lord's children gathered around the tables to observe the ordinances of his house and claimed the promise, "Happy are ye if ye do them."

During the meeting one soul was added to the church by baptism, and one other confessed Christ, but did not unite with us. Brethren, pray for the little band at Laurel Run, that God may enable them to overcome all of the difficulties they have to contend with.

MARCUS A. WITTER.

#### Maple Grove

Our revival meeting closed Sunday evening March 26, with no accessions; altho the meeting was unsuccessful in bringing new members to the church yet we believe that our labors have not been in vain, and the seed sown will be fruitful in more closely uniting those already believing in Christ and will bring a deeper conviction in the hearts of the unbelievers, causing them to see their mistake in following the ways of sin, and seek the refreshing rays of the True Light.

A Young People's Society was organized Sunday afternoon March 26, with an enrollment of eighteen members. As this is a new movement in our community we ask the prayers of those interested in the work for success.

DEFFA HENDRICK.

#### Sunnyside, Wash

Things are moving on nicely here. Bro. Harrison preached a very excellent sermon. I am preparing an outline and some notes on it. I feel that many more should get the thoughts he advanced and your readers will get it in the next issue of our valuable paper.

We now have over a hundred members of our Sunday School. The attendance yet is not very regular. Last two Sundays we had between 75 and 80 present. We have a fine school building with two large rooms that can be thrown into one and three smaller or recitation rooms that will be very convenient for classes. This gives us a great advantage in establishing a large and interesting Sunday School and preaching congregation. A movement is now on foot to organize a Young People's Meeting and when we do start it will go with a boom for we have so many earnest consecrated workers and quite a number of young people who are Christians.

Sister Anna Grubb and her family are late arrivals. They have lived at Jennings, La., the past ten years and have come here mostly on account of their health. We have great reason to congratulate ourselves on the class of people who have so far been attracted to Sunnyside.

Last night, Monday, we had a large house out to hear an Episcopal "service." Bishop Wells, of Spokane, led, followed by Rev. Bartlett, of N. Yakima, who is "over" this district. There is a very warm feeling here

among all Christian workers and whether Episcopal, or Methodist, or Congregational, or "Conservative," or Progressive, we all wish each other God speed in our efforts to build up Christ's kingdom in our own peculiar ways.

We pray that similar union and Christian fellowship may prevail the world over.

H. M. LICHTY.

#### Prominent Man Passes Away

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Hon. Albert Osborn, aged about 75 years, died at the home of his son, Ira Osborn, in Olive township last night after an illness extending over several months. His demise, while quite sudden, was not entirely unexpected for he had been suffering with diabetes and for more than a week it was realized that his condition was alarming and the prospects of his recovery were not encouraging. For years Mr. Osborn occupied a prominent position in the affairs of Elkhart county as a progressive farmer and in politics. He was identified with many important movements and enjoyed an extensive acquaintance. His death means the loss of an able man.

Hon. Albert Osborn was born in Otsego county, New York, April 2, 1824, and when but 11 years of age moved with his parents to St. Joseph county, Mich., and in the latter state he finished his growth and learned habits of industry and economy. He attended the common schools of the county and walked two and a half miles morning and evening in order to partake of the benefits of a limited education. He was married in St. Joseph county, Feb. 2, 1845, to Miss Catherine Kirkwood. After his marriage Mr. Osborn settled in St. Joseph county and afterward in Ohio. In 1852 he made a trip to California, going across the plains and returned in 1855, the trip proving a profitable one. In the spring of 1860 he came to Elkhart county, settled in Jackson township, and two years later when he removed to Jefferson township, where he remained until about 3 years ago, when he took up his residence on a farm in Olive township where he died. Since the time that he came to the county, Mr. Osborn was called among the representative men of the locality. In 1872 he was elected to the legislature and served two years. Mr. Osborn was a very conscientious man in all that pertained to his official life and worked and voted for the best interests of his constituents. He was an upright and honorable man and popular irrespective of party affiliations. He never sought offices or votes and his nominations and elections came to him unsolicited. He leaves one son to mourn his demise, his wife having died Jan. 8, 1891. The deceased was a brother of Mrs. Catherine Irwin, of this city, and Mrs. Julia Walter, of Sturgis, Mich. He was also an uncle to Mrs. Joseph Smith, Dr. A. J. Irwin and Mrs. William Parfitt, of this city.

The funeral was held at his late resi-

dence near Wakarusa on Thursday at 10 a. m., Rev. A. R. Bemenderfer officiating. The remains were interred in Oak Ridge cemetery beside those of his wife and mother.

#### Chicago, Ill.

I attend the mission regularly and enjoy it, and its people very much. While the congregation is not as large as I have been used to, we find that it is not always the large membership that makes the church or mission. The Lord meets with his people everywhere, and in the Chicago mission, he surely blesses his followers. I am more interested in mission work than ever before. Some way when one sees the necessity of Christian workers in this city, they must stop and think and question one's self, have I done as much as I could for the poor and sinful? No, of course not, how *could* I or any one that never saw outside of a large and prosperous church. We read and know that there is a work to be done and that some one must do it; but too often do we go about our work and think no more of God's great work that must be done.

Especially do I enjoy the Wednesday night prayer meeting or the study of the Sunday School lesson. What a beautiful thought we get from next Sunday's lesson, "The raising of Lazarus." What do we learn? So many say, what proof have you that in the end *we* will be raised as Lazarus? I think after reading the entire chapter of John 11, we need no longer question (The resurrection.)

Brother Talley is an ideal preacher, he teaches as he preaches. If we only had more like him, how soon would all who attend service know more of the Bible. and how much better and more spiritually prosperous would the churches be. Invite one of your large and somewhat noted church choirs to visit the Chicago Mission, and watch them, while Brother Talley leads the singing and his little choir of children. You might call them that for the mission children like to sing; while they do not always have the right tune and sometimes are ahead of the leader and organ they sing from their hearts, and the mission rings with the sound of childish music.

One amusing and yet touching feature in the mission work, it is to see the seeking classes flock to the home of the pastor in search of the "loaves and fishes;" Oh, yes they will do better; they will come to the mission if only they will help them this time." (But pastor, his wife, and assistant use much caution and care in the distribution of *aid* sent for the worthy needy.) And perhaps in two or three days they are back again on the same errand, but you never see such people at the Lords house and it is a question whether it is a good policy to humor such people in their laziness, (guess it is just as well to give them their right name.) But I don't want you to understand that they are all that way. No there are lots of worthy that they help that are in need and that are thankful for the help received, but those kind never run after aid but are always found